

PEACE TREATY MAY BE SIGNED NEXT WEEK

American Delegation Sends Word Much Progress Is Being Made—How Much Must Huns Pay?

(By Associated Press)
Washington, March 26—Messages to the White House from the American peace delegation at Paris said that greater progress toward peace is being made "than appeared on the surface." No details were given and officials are inclined to speculate on the probable basis of the dispatch. In some quarters it is assumed the American delegates are optimistic over important amendments to the League of Nations' constitution probably including Wilson's provision designed to preserve the Monroe Doctrine.

MAY SIGN TREATY NEXT WEEK

Paris, March 26—In the absence of official communiques, the public learned little about the meeting of the European premiers and President Wilson yesterday but it is believed reparation for war damages was the first serious problem they sought to solve. It is understood the British, French and Americans agree on virtually all features except the amount. The eventual draft reparation articles in the peace treaty are ready with a blank space for the amount.

After the reparation settlement, comes the Franco-German frontier along the Rhine and with that out of the way, the American delegates believe prompt conclusion of peace treaty can be accomplished, possibly not this week, but very shortly thereafter.

Meanwhile the meeting of the President and the Premiers continued into the night. It marked the initial step in taking the direction of affairs and in meeting apprehensions due to the revolution blazing up in Eastern Europe.

During the day the Hungarian revolt and its effects in bringing Bolshevism into Central Europe also, without doubt, were examined. A huge map prepared by experts showed the vast extent of Bolshevism authority which embraces virtually half of Europe.

The Premiers also had access to reports showing the extent of disorders in all sections of Eastern Europe, including private reports of a grave character around Odessa which have not yet been made public.

Another feature unofficially made public last night, showed a serious effort is being made in high quarters to join together all the peace treaties with Germany, Austria, Turkey and Bulgaria thus making one comprehensive treaty in which Germany will be linked with other Central Powers as their responsible head.

May corn \$1.48 3-8.

GOT MONEY FOR RAILROADS

Washington, March 26—Arrangements for making advances to railroads to meet their April 1st requirements have been completed, the War Finance Corporation announced today, explaining that making loans to the railroads is not essentially different from that pursued before the financial predicament created through failure of Congress to replenish the railroad administration fund.

Oil News

News from the field is to the effect that a number of wells are expected in shortly in Lee county.

On the Simpson Crabtree farm the Hart Oil Company broke a cable at No. 4, but will drill in Friday. On the same property the company is rigging for No. 3. This company is due in with No. 13 on the George Booth and when this is completed will move the rig on to the Crabtree which will be drilled up rapidly.

In the eastern section of Lee county a number of wells are in on Hell Creek. On the King farm the Hell Creek Oil Company has completed its initial test which is said to be a ten-barrel producer. This is located one-fourth of a mile from Thornley.

Cincinnati parties operating on the Steve Frahey, have brought in No. 3, which is said to be showing for a 25-barrel well.

The Rex Oil and Gas Company operating on the Martha Reynolds lease has Nos. 12 and 13 in which are estimated at 150 barrels each.

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THE WEATHER

Rain and colder tonight; Thursday fair and colder.

NO CAUSE FOR CRISIS IN EUROPEAN FINANCES

Says American Expert To A. P. After Exhaustive Study of Subject, Tho' France Is Nearly Bankrupt.

(By Associated Press)
Paris, March 26—Persistent rumors that all Europe is on the verge of a financial collapse are not justified by facts, a prominent American financial expert, who has been studying the problem facing the peace conference for many months, said in a statement today. He said conditions are serious but not panic and will doubtless be relieved gradually when peace is signed and embargoes lifted.

England's war debt is forty billion but proportionately no greater than at the close of the Napoleonic wars. France is nearly bankrupt, but higher taxes on wealth would meet the emergency. Italy's courage in levying higher taxes has helped her, but with the exhaustion of her foreign credits within six months, may create a serious situation. With the prospect that Belgium will get priority in the Germany war indemnity, the situation there is not so bad as the Belgians imagine.

Today's Live Stock Markets

Louisville, March 26—Cattle 150; steady and unchanged; steers dull; hogs 2,000; pigs steady; others lower, tops \$19.35; sheep 50; steady; \$13 and down; lambs \$19 down.

Cincinnati—Packers a quarter lower; \$19.75; cattle and calves about steady.

Bobtown

Mr. John L. Brown left Friday for Dayton, Ohio.

Mr. James Lewis is still very sick and is not expected to recover on account of his age.

Mr. M. A. Moody, has purchased a new Ford car.

Mr. W. F. Moody, children, Clarrie and Rose Elmer have been very sick with measles, but are doing nicely at this writing.

Mr. Charlie Agee, wife and little boy, who have been at the Gibson hospital for some time, were able to be brought home Sunday their many friends are glad to know.

Mr. Robert Brown and wife were more than happy Sunday evening when the telegram reached them that their son, Betram Brown had arrived safely from over seas where he has been with the American E. Forces for several months. Young Brown was in the two last battles and we know it was good news to him when the armistice was signed. His many friends hope he will soon be home.

Mr. Ab McKinney and wife of Kingston, were here Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Lawson.

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MAY FIGHT CHANGE IN SCHOOL BOOKS

Dispatch From Frankfort Says Work of McDougle's Commission Is To Be Contested In Courts.

(By Associated Press)
Louisville, March 26—A Frankfort special to the Times says the whole state text book adoption is going to be thrown into courts, according to reliable information and if a prepared suit to enjoin it succeeds, the State Text Book Commission of which Gov. Stanley is chairman, will be compelled to open new bids and let the contracts again.

The contracts aggregate between three and four million dollars. The alleged ground for the action is that the Text Book Commission violated the law by changing more than 50 per cent of the subjects, particularly in grades.

Dr. E. C. McDougle, dean of E. K. S. N., is a member of the School Book Commission.

Wants Men For Navy

Chief Gunners' Mate G. M. Turner, of the U. S. Navy, is here for a week seeking recruits for the navy. He will be stationed at the postoffice and accept men between the ages of 17 and 35, white or colored. Joseph Arnold, who has just been honorably discharged from service on the battleship Michigan, was introducing Turner around town this morning. Turner served on the battleship Nevada during the war.

Green Millinery Company announce their Spring Opening Friday and Saturday, March 28 and 29.

Col. Hiram A. Richardson, of Danville, the best known typewriter salesman in Kentucky, was here today talking the Remington to prospective buyers.

Season's Best Show Thursday

Domingo's Filipino Serenaders, direct from Manila are real native musicians. They play that haunting, entrancing Hawaiian music, like you have never heard before, suggesting the love and romance of life in the languorous Paradise of the Pacific. Domingo's company consists of ten high class Filipino artists, the special scenery and elaborate costumes will please you. These players have been secured for two nights, Thursday and Friday, March 27th and 28th.

In addition to the Filipinos, a double program of pictures will be presented. On Thursday Alice Joyce, the screen's most popular star, will be seen in her latest production, "The Triumph of the Weak," one of the best and sweetest pictures shown this season. Frank McIntyre will also be seen in the play from the world famous book "The Traveling Salesman." On Friday night, in addition to Domingo's Filipino Serenaders, Mabel Normand will be seen in "Sis Hopkins," from the play that made Rose McElvaine famous.

FOR SALE—Fine Canna bulbs; yellow, 75 cents per dozen; large red, \$1 per dozen; limited supply Silver Wyandotte eggs, \$1 per 15. Mrs. E. C. McDougle, Summit, phone 637. 96 6p

PUBLIC SALE—Saturday, March 29, at 10 a. m., storehouse and lot and automobile. Best location in town for a grocery. Corner Second and Walnut streets, Richmond, Ky. William Malloy, Admr. 93 8t

WE are prepared to furnish the best quality Rhode Island Red eggs, for hatching purposes. Rhode Island Red Poultry Association. Mrs. R. C. Coomer, Speedwell, R. F. Spence, Berea. 89 6

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NOTICE—All persons owing the Bowman Lumber Company must pay within 30 days. After that time we will place all accounts in the hands of a lawyer for collection. We haven't the time to collect them, and if you want to save yourself the extra cost, call and settle with us within the next 30 days. Bowman Lumber Company. 76 4t

FARM FOR RENT—On shares or for money; corn, oats, tobacco, and grass land; six room house. Apply 400 E. Main street, Richmond. 94 1t

BAPTISTS HOLD ALL-DAY MISSIONARY MEETING

Fifteen Churches of Tate's Creek Association Represented, With Richmond Church As Hostess.

The missionary meeting at the First Baptist church Tuesday was a most inspiring and helpful one. Rev. E. B. English, the retiring pastor at Berea, and for five years secretary-treasurer of the district board of the Tate's Creek Baptist Association, made a good address in the morning. He spoke of the growth and enlargement of the missionary work in the association during the time he had served on the board. The progress made was encouraging.

Dr. J. T. Henderson, chairman of the Layman's Missionary Movement of the Southern Baptist Convention, also made an address, in which he gave a survey of the mission fields of the Southern Baptist Convention. Chief among these are China, Japan, Mexico, Africa, Italy, Brazil, Argentina, and Chili. In the afternoon he made an address on the "Stewardship of Life," in which he made a powerful appeal for a deeper consecration.

Dr. A. Paul Bagby, pastor of the Highland Baptist church, Louisville, spoke on the "Stewardship of Money," and made it clear that the Christian is to make the tenth a minimum of his giving. He also spoke in the evening on "The Three Things a Christian Should Know," based on Ephesians 1:18. It was a most eloquent and powerful address and made a wonderful impression on the audience.

Dr. Bagby not only enjoys the distinction of being a scholarly and eloquent preacher, but is also the champion golf player of Kentucky. He is an unusual combination of brilliancy of mind, agility of body, and spiritual power.

In his last address Dr. Henderson gave a history of the growth and achievements of the Layman's Missionary Movement, especially among Baptists of the South. He said that the chairman of the Layman's Committee supported six missionaries on the foreign field. Dr. Henderson is a layman who has given his life to the cause of missions and has been wonderfully successful in his work.

The meeting was well attended especially by visitors and delegates from a distance. About 15 churches of the 24 were represented. The ladies of the church served a delightful lunch. The meeting on the whole was a most profitable one.

Bernstorff Strong For Wilson's Program Now

(By Associated Press)
Paris, March 26—Germany is determined to stick close to President Wilson's program in making peace with the allies. Count Von Bernstorff, former German ambassador to the United States, declared in an interview given to the Berlin correspondent of the Temps, which that newspaper prints today. If the conditions imposed go beyond that, he said, Bolshevism would gain immensely.

WANTED—To rent a home in desirable neighborhood; not less than five rooms; would like bath and garden. See W. H. Bower, freight office. 98 2p

Miss Metcalf Sings At Dr. Carpenter's Revival

The revival at the Central Christian church in Lexington, conducted by the pastor, Rev. I. J. Spencer, assisted by Dr. Homer W. Carpenter of the First Christian church at Richmond, is progressing with great interest manifested. There have been a number of additions and on Sunday morning and evening Dr. Carpenter addressed a capacity house. Miss Alice Metcalf sang evening Dr. Carpenter addressed a capacity house. Dr. Carpenter addressed a capacity house. Dr. Carpenter addressed a capacity house.

Oil News

It was officially announced by President Balthis, of the Dominion Oil Company, yesterday that the deal whereby the Old Dominion Oil Company was reported to have purchased the Belle Point Company has been definitely called off. This means that the Belle Point will, as originally planned, operate the holdings purchased from the Hopewell Petroleum Company for a price said to have been \$500,000.

These holdings consist of 2,004 acres south of Big Sinking Creek in Lee county, including the 900 acres on the Jefferson tract and the Shearer tract. There are 13 wells on the Shearer tract, but the Jefferson tract has not been tested and is a matter of speculative interest. The Hopewell Petroleum was capitalized at but \$75,000, being organized sometime ago. If the reported price is correct the Hopewell owners made a large profit on the transaction.

Officers and chief holders of the Hopewell Company, which it is thought, will pass out of existence with the consummation of this trade, are Bruce Haldeman, president; Chester Gouley, vice president, and J. A. Woolfolk, secretary and treasurer, these three comprising the board of directors with John Hackmeister and J. Stoddard Johnson.

President Balthis' statement puts a quietus to the report that the Old Dominion Company would take over the Belle Point Company on the basis of one share of Old Dominion (with a par value of \$100) for 350 shares of Belle Point (with a par value of \$1). As the recent market value of the Old Dominion is around \$300 and the capitalization of the Belle Point is \$1,000,000, on this basis the Old Dominion would have been paying more than \$500,000 for the Hopewell property.

State Hotel Inspector Praises Mr. Rhodes

State Hotel Inspector E. B. Weitzel of Frankfort was here Tuesday inspecting Richmond's hosteleries, restaurants, etc. Mr. Weitzel is one of the owners of the old Capital Hotel, which was up to the time it burned a few years ago, one of the most famous hotels in the country. He paid high tribute to Mr. C. C. Rhodes, who is shortly to assume the management of the Glyndon Hotel, and asserts that Richmond and all this section will have a hotel to be proud of when Mr. Rhodes gets things under way and the improvements are made that are agreed upon.

May corn \$1.47.

MADISON MAN GETS N. Y. DOPE THIEVES

W. S. Fish Does Good Work For Uncle Sam In Enforcing Narcotic Law—May Return Soon.

Deputy Internal Revenue Collector W. S. Fish, formerly of Madison county, is doing some fine work for Uncle Sam in catching "dope" salesmen in New York. Mr. Fish has only been on duty in the east for a few months, but he has been in some big hauls. He expects to be assigned to Kentucky again at no distant date. Mr. Fish is a son of Mr. W. C. Fish, of Richmond, and has many friends at his home here who will be interested in the following from the New York Sun about one of his raids:

Federal Agent H. B. Dobbs, "came to town yesterday," made up as a farmer, carrying a satchel containing \$1,000 in marked bills. He was supposed to be one Martin of Philadelphia. In Chambers street, near Broadway, he was approached, according to appointment, by Nathan Paul, 23, of No. 1037 Lafayette avenue, Brooklyn, who, as the police story goes, expressed the regret that 200 ounces of "dope" which "Martin" had arranged to buy had been sent to Philadelphia, but that he might be able to find the required amount here.

Accordingly he took Dobbs to a place at No. 66 Harrison street, where Jos. Poblinsky, a truckman, said to have a prison record, is reported to have exhibited a trunk filled with codeine sulphate. Dobbs, it is said, recognized it as part of the 1,039 ounces, worth \$12,000, stolen a month ago from Powers and Weightman, No. 145 Front street.

Federal Agent Fish together with Lieut. Henry Sherd and detectives of the Narcotic Squad, having followed Dobbs and his quarry, arrested Paul and Poblinsky, who are now in the Tombs.

Charles Smith, alias Fisher, said by the police to be well known to them, was located in a room at No. 352 West 23rd street, a week ago. "Spunk," Rosenberg, 29, No. 142 West 117th street, with a prison record, it is said, was seen then to carry a satchel from a taxicab to Smith's room. Detectives found the satchel containing a quantity of codeine sulphate said to be stolen from the drug house. Smith and Rosenberg were held in \$15,000 bonds and are now in the Tombs on charges burglary and violation of the Harrison drug law. The bottles seized at that time and those taken yesterday are said to be from the Front street drug house.

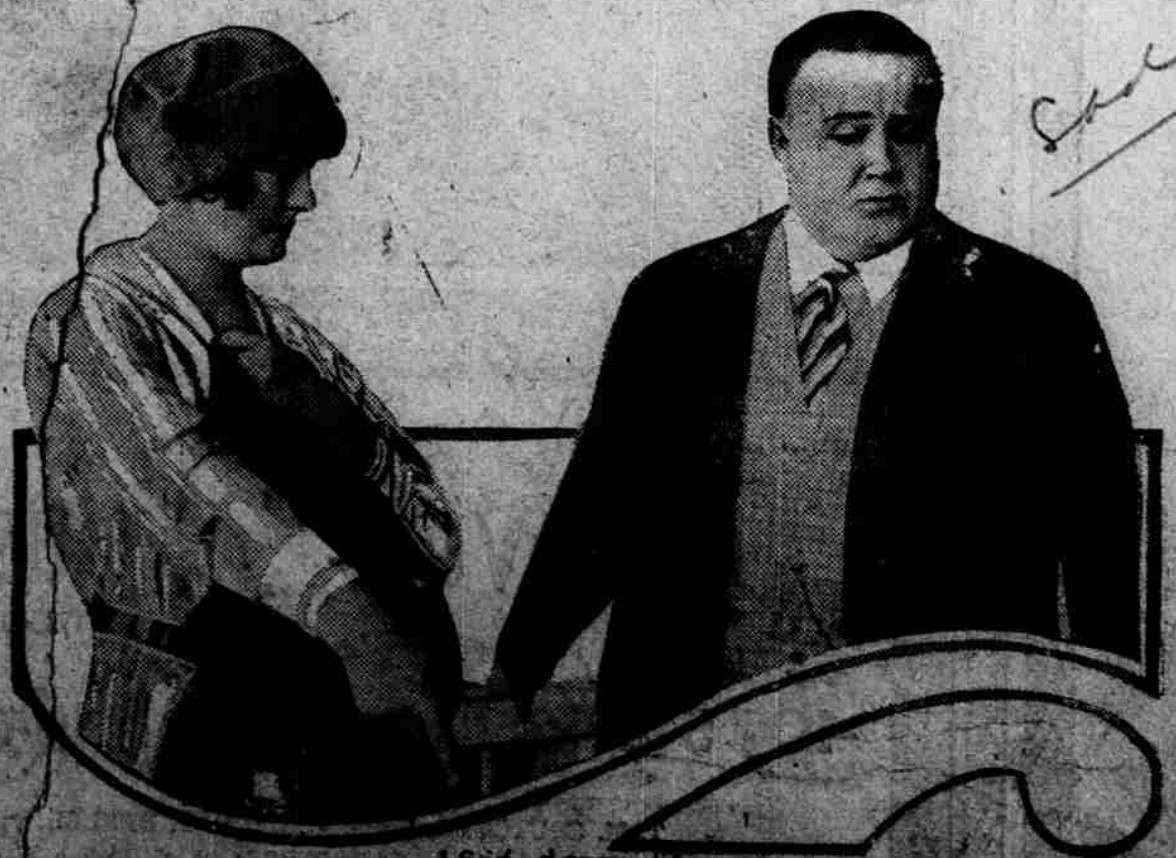
WANTED—Male Canaries; give price, age and color. Write 410 West Main street, Lexington, Ky. 97 2p

FOR RENT—100 or more acres of grass land, one and one half miles from town on the Barnes Mill pike. Roberts and Rogers. 97 6p

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BARRED Plymouth Rocks; genuine Thompson ringlet prize winning strain; eggs 15 for \$2.50; 30 for \$4.50. Mrs. Ora Hackett, phone 250—R. 926p

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